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Methods of gene therapy for treating disorders of the ear by administering a vector encoding an atonal-

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a reply to office action in the subject application.

- Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
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					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE			one-month		\$65.00		\$ 0.00	
subtract time extension fee previously paid			none		(\$ 0.00)		(\$ 0.00)	
CLAIM FEE	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADD'L CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADD'L CLAIM FEE
TOTAL	13	MINUS	34	= 0	x 26 =	\$0.00	x 52 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x 110 =	\$0.00	x 220 =	\$0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM					+ 195 =	\$0.00	+ 390 =	\$0.00
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT					TOTAL	\$65.00	TOTAL	\$0.00

- In the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.
 - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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